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In re the Application of

Gary S. Sayler et al

Appln. No.: 09/923,132

Filed: August 6, 2001

For: BIOLUMINESCENT METHODS FOR
DIRECT VISUAL DETECTION OF
ENVIRONMENTAL COMPOUNDS

) Group Art Unit: 1636

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) Examiner: David A. Lambertson

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

This timely response is in reply to the Office Action regarding restriction dated June 17,
2003 (the "Office Action").**REMARKS****Restriction Requirement**In the above-identified Office Action, the Examiner issued a restriction requirement and
required election of one of the following groups under 35 USC §121:

- I. Claims 1-3, 5-6 and 8-27 drawn to a device or apparatus for the detection of an
analyte, including the analyte mercury, and a method for the detection of mercury,
classified in class 435, subclass 287.1
- II. Claims 1, 3 and 7 drawn to a device or apparatus for the detection of an analyte,
and a method for the detection of naphthalene, classified in class 435, subclass
287.1